REMARKS

Upon entry of the present paper, claim 7 will have been amended, with claims 1-45 pending before the Examiner. Specifically, claim 7 has been amended to delete the phrase "an axially outwardly facing surface of said frame in said insertion hole," which was included in the application as filed, due to a clerical error. Applicant notes that such an amendment is appropriate, since it more clearly recites the limitations of this claim. Thus, the present amendment does not continue prosecution of the application but merely corrects a clerical error in claim 7. Further, the present amendment does not involve a substantial amount of work as only one dependent claim is involved. Thus, entry of the amendment in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 is submitted to be appropriate.

Applicant respectfully submits that the entry of the above amendment is proper under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 since it does not require an additional search or examination, since it is made merely for clerical purposes, and since no new matter is contained therein. Applicant thus notes that this amendment to the claims is to be considered merely a clarifying amendment that is cosmetic in nature, and does not narrow the scope of the claims.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to exercise his discretion and approve the present amendment for entry under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312.

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Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this Amendment or the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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